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Homicide/Unclassified Death Investigation

The Birmingham Police Department is conducting a homicide investigation. The incident occurred on Thursday, December 23, 2021.

The victims will be identified upon notification to the next of kin.

Shortly after 9:30 a.m., East Precinct officers were dispatched to the 5000 block of 42nd Place North on report of an open door. Officers arrived on the scene and observed the front door of the residence open; officers then cleared the residence. Officers entered a bedroom where they observed an adult male and female lying unresponsive on the floor.

Birmingham Fire and Rescue personnel arrived on the scene and pronounced both victims deceased.

The preliminary investigation has revealed evidence which leads our detectives to believe the investigation surrounding the female victim is homicide in nature and the male's case will be investigated as an unclassified death. A firearm was recovered from the residence.

If there is anyone who has information pertaining to the case, please contact the B.P.D. Homicide Unit @ 205-254-1764 or Crime Stoppers @ 205-254-7777.

Anonymous tips can also be submitted to Crime Stoppers through the Birmingham Police Department's Mobile App on Android or IOS devices. Updates will be provided as information comes available.

This is Birmingham's 112th murder investigation of 2021 with 14 justifiable death Investigations). The Birmingham Police Department adheres to FBI Uniform Crime Reporting guidelines set for all law enforcement agencies across the United States. FBI Uniform Crime Reporting guidelines do not require law enforcement agencies to include justifiable death investigations into the total homicide investigations counts.

The information is based on a preliminary and ongoing investigation, which continues to evolve as investigators interview witnesses, review physical and electronic records, and analyze forensic evidence. The Department's understanding of the facts and circumstances may change as additional evidence is collected and analyzed

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